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SUBJ: MILITARY TURBOJET TRANSPORT

1. THE VICE-COMMANDER OF KAR HAS REQUESTED TECHNICAL INFORMATION ON MILITARY JET TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT SUITABLE FOR PASSENGERS AND/OR GENERAL MILITARY CARGO OVER LONG DISTANCES.

2. GENERALLY, THE KAF IS INTERESTED IN A LONG RANGE MILITARY CONFIGURED TRANSPORT SUITABLE TO CARRY PASSENGERS AND/OR CARGO BETWEEN LONDON AND KUWAIT. SPECIFICALLY, THEY HAVE STATED THAT A BOEING 747 IS TOO BIG AND THAT A BOEING 707/C-135 OR C-141 AIRCRAFT APPEARS TO BE ABOUT WHAT THEY HAVE IN MIND. A PREFERENCE FOR AN AIRCRAFT IN THE USAF INVENTORY HAS BEEN STATED. THEY ARE NOT INTERESTED IN AN IN-FLIGHT REFUELING CAPABILITY.

3. REQUEST DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE AND LONDON-KUWAIT FLIGHT PROFILES WITH FOLLOWING GENERAL TYPE LOADS: ALL CARGO; HALF CARGO AND HALF PAX; ALL PAX. ENROUTE STOPS MAY BE USED IF REQUIRED ALTHOUGH A NON-STOP CAPABILITY APPEARS TO BE PREFERRED.

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4. TAKE OFF AND LANDING PERFORMANCE DATA FOR A 45 DEGREE C DAY AT SEA LEVEL WILL BE NEEDED.

5. CURRENTLY, THE KAF OPERATES FOUR C-130'S (COMMERCIAL STRETCHED VERSIONS) CARRYING GENERAL MILITARY CARGO (PRIMARILY SPARE PARTS FOR BRITISH MANUFACTURED MILITARY EQUIPMENT) AN A FEW PASSENGERS BETWEEN KUWAIT AND LONDON. THE KAF DESIRES TO OBTAIN REPLACEMENT/ ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT MORE SUITED TO THIS OPERATION. INITIALLY THEY ARE INTERESTED IN TWO AIRCRAFT WITH A POTENTIAL REQUIREMENT FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO OR THREE.

6. GENERALLY, THE GOK HAS EXHIBITED A STRONG PREFERENCE FOR NEW EQUIPMENT. HOWEVER, THEY MAY BE WILLING TO ACCEPT A USED, RECONDITIONED AIRCRAFT WHEN THERE IS NO OTHER REASONABLE SOURCE (SUCH AS IS BELIEVED TO BE THE SITUATION WITH THE C-141).

7. BUDGETARY COST AND SCHEDULE INFORMATION WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL.  
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